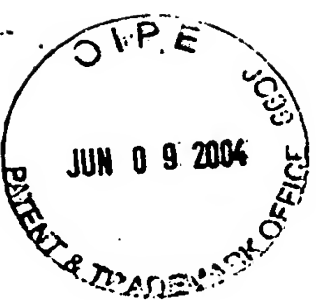


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of:)
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: Atty. Ref. 115988-00101
Serial Number: 10/067,847)
: Group Art Unit: 3632
Filed: February 8, 2002)
: Examiner: Kofi A. Schulerbrandt
For: COMPOSITE BUILDING MATERIAL)
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

(1) **Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 3 of this paper.

(2) **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

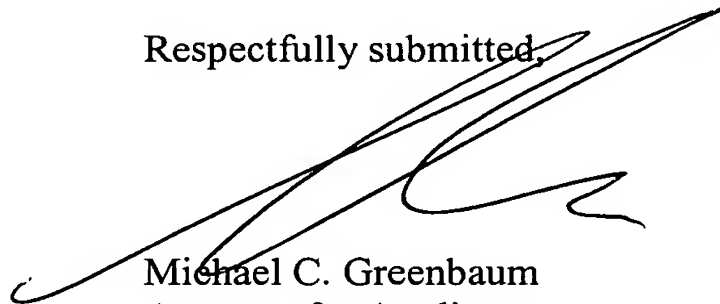
In view of the amendments and accompanying remarks, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding Office Action and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

In the event that any issues remain that can be overcome most easily through a telephone communication, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (202) 772-5800.

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If a Petition for extension of time is required to render this submission timely and either is not filed concurrently herewith or does not suffice to render this submission timely, the Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for such an extension for as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Please charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment thereof, to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (115988-00101).

Respectfully submitted,

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